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| Application Number | 10/692,400 |
| Filing Date | October 23, 2003 |
| First Named Inventor | Nguyen et al. |
| Group Art Unit | 1751 |
| Examiner Name | Gregory E. Webb |
| Attorney Docket Number | 2003-IP-012125 U1 |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 3.

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- ii. ☐ Other: _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed:
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply- _____ pages.
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).
- vi. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of Action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months: Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Notification of Extension of Time (for _____ months).
- c. ☒ Return receipt postcard.
- d. ☐ Other: _____

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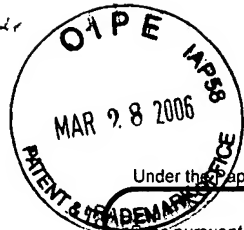
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | |
| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | |
| Reissue | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 600 | 300 | |
| Provisional | 200 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)
Multiple dependent claims

| Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) |
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| 50 | 25 |
| 200 | 100 |
| 360 | 180 |

Total Claims **Extra Claims** **Fee (\$)** **Fee Paid (\$)**

- 20 or HP = _____ x _____ = _____

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Indep. Claims **Extra Claims** **Fee (\$)** **Fee Paid (\$)**

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